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General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

16:00	67th plenary meeting[1]	General Assembly Hall

[webcast]

Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twelfth special session: note by the Secretary-General (A/67/784) [items 7[2] and 20 (g)]

[1]The General Assembly will pay tribute to the memory of His Excellency Hugo Chávez Frías, late President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

[2]To reopen and reallocate sub-item (g) of agenda item 20.

Security Council

15:00	6933rd meeting	Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

[webcast]

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Sierra Leone

   Tenth report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Integrated Peacebuilding Office in Sierra Leone (S/2013/118)

Afternoon[1]	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room GA-TSC-02

UNIPSIL (S/2013/118)

Other matters

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 6933rd meeting of the Council.

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Briefing on the Secretary-General's Oceans Compact — "Healthy Oceans for Prosperity"

A briefing on the Secretary-General's Oceans Compact, entitled "Healthy Oceans for Prosperity", will be held on Thursday, 14 March 2013, at 13:15, in Conference Room 6 (NLB). Mr. Achim Steiner, Chair of the High-level Committee on Programmes and Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), will be in attendance. All interested members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend.

General Assembly

Sixty-seventh session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

10:00 to 13:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 144 (Financing of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals: Construction of a new facility for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, Arusha branch (A/67/696 and A/67/768)); and

Agenda item 136 (Joint Inspection Unit (A/67/34 and A/67/724))

General Assembly

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

2013 substantive session

Working Group of the Whole

15:00 to 18:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Rooms 6, A and C (NLB)

[Schedule to be confirmed.]

Consideration of the draft report by the Working Group of the Whole (A/67/312–S/2012/645, A/67/632, A/67/632/Add.1 and A/67/633) [item 6]

[Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers at www.c34.unlb.org. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Special Committee, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.]

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 14:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10 (NLB)

1. United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (MINURSO)
2. Executive meeting

Economic and Social Council

Commission on the Status of Women
Fifty-seventh session

15:00 to 16:00 13th meeting (closed) Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Communications concerning the status of women (E/CN.6/2013/SW/COMM.LIST/47/R, E/CN.6/2013/SW/COMM.LIST/47/R/Add.1 and E/CN.6/2013/CRP.2) [item 4]

Consideration of the report of the Working Group on Communications on the Status of Women

Informal consultations

10:00 to 13:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 2 (NLB)

16:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Informal consultations convened by the Vice-Chair, Ms. Ana Marie L. Hernando (Philippines), on agreed conclusions on the priority theme of the Commission under agenda item 3 (a) (i) (Implementation of strategic objectives and action in critical areas of concern and further actions and initiatives: Priority theme: elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls)

[Background information and the list of side events on the occasion of the fifty-seventh session of the Commission can be consulted at www.unwomen.org/csw/csw57.]

[For the preliminary list of participants of the fifty-seventh session of the Commission, please *click here*. Delegations are kindly requested to review the list and send any corrections to Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org).]

Other meetings

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African Group (Third Committee experts)

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7 (NLB)
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7 (NLB)

African Group (Fifth Committee experts)

13:15 to 14:30	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

12:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Other activities

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Briefing and dialogue on "Law of the sea and challenges of Arctic governance" (organized by the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO))

From 13:15 to 15:00, in room DC2-0450.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Roy S. Lee, AALCO (e-mail royslee@optonline.net; tel. 1 (917) 623-2861).]

Briefing on "The outcomes of the first universal membership session of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)" (by the Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of UNEP)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions, United Nations agencies and accredited non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Mr. Munyaradzi Chenje, UNEP (e-mail chenje1@un.org).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Wednesday, 13 March 2013

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium [webcast]

12:00 **Press briefing by the Spokesperson**

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

Announcements

The agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/251 (see document A/67/252* for the allocation of items). Annotations can be found in document A/67/100 and A/67/100/Add.1.

The following agenda items remain for consideration during the sixty-seventh session, apart from organizational matters and items that may have to be considered by operation of the rules of procedure of the Assembly: items 9, 11, 13 to 15, 20 (a) and (h), 30, 31, 33 to 37, 39, 40, 42 to 48, 54, 56, 60, 63 (a) and (b), 70 (a) to (c), 74, 94 (b), 106, 107, 110 (a) and (b), 111 (f), (g) and (h), 112 to 117, 118 (a) and (b), 119, 120, 121 (a), (b), (g), (i), (p), (q), (r), (s) and (v), 122, 124 to 126, 128 (a) to (r), 129 to 157, 158 (a) and (b), and 159 to 164.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January–16 September 2013). Meetings will be announced in the *Journal* when they are scheduled. For inscription on the list of speakers, please call 1 (212) 963-5063 (room S-3082). A tentative schedule of General Assembly meetings is also available at the following address: www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/67schedule.shtml.

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3818 (room S-3053). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee
First part of the resumed session

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Thursday, 14 March 2013, at 10:00 and 15:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

General Assembly

Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals
First session

The first session of the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals will be held on Thursday, 14, and Friday, 15 March 2013. The opening meeting will take place on Thursday, 14 March, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall. The provisional agenda is contained in document A/AC.280/2013/1. For further information on the first session of the Open Working Group, please *click here*.

General discussion and list of speakers

General discussion under agenda item 3 (Follow-up to the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, relating to a proposal for sustainable development goals) will begin on Thursday, 14 March 2013, following the opening of the session. The list of speakers is open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list should inform Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org). Delegations are reminded that there will be a time limit of *five minutes* for all statements.

Delegations are also requested to bring 30 copies of statements for distribution to conference services.

Final United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty

The Final United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty will be held from Monday, 18, to Thursday, 28 March 2013, at United Nations Headquarters, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 67/234 of 24 December 2012 (A/RES/67/234).

The Final Conference will be assisted by a Bureau/General Committee comprising two Vice-Presidents from the regional group of the President of the Final Conference (Western European and other States) and three Vice-Presidents from each of the other regional groups. The Secretariat of the United Nations would be grateful if the regional groups which have not done so would communicate the names of their candidates for the Bureau/General Committee to Mr. Kenji Nakano, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (c/o leu@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305), *as soon as possible*.

Delegations are also kindly requested to submit the credentials of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers to delegations *by hand* to Mr. Stadler Trengove or Ms. Tomoko Iwata (Office of Legal Affairs, room S-3604), *as soon as possible*. Delegations wishing to send advance copies of their credentials should do so by fax (1 (212) 963-6430) or by e-mail (trengove@un.org and iwata@un.org). In accordance with rule 3 of the provisional rules of procedures (A/CONF.217/L.1), the credentials shall be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

For further information on the Conference, delegations are invited to visit the website of the Conference at the following address: www.un.org/disarmament/ATT.

Disarmament Commission
2013 substantive session

The 2013 substantive session of the Disarmament Commission will be held from Monday, 1, to Friday, 19 April 2013. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 1 April, at 10:00, in *Conference Room 1*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are invited to contact the secretariat (Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378)). The secretariat would also appreciate it if delegations could communicate to the Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, via note verbale (e-mail lea@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305), *as soon as possible*, the names of representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Commission.

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-third session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-third session at Headquarters from Monday, 3, to Friday, 21 June 2013.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly, *no later than Friday, 17 May 2013*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Seventh session

Sierra Leone configuration

An informal meeting of the Sierra Leone configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Thursday, 14 March 2013, at 16:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Economic and Social Council

Resumed organizational session for 2013

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in the membership of its subsidiary bodies on Thursday, 25, and Friday, 26 April 2013. The agenda for the session is contained in document E/2013/2/Add.1.

The deadline for submission of candidatures, established by the Bureau of the Council, is *Friday, 12 April 2013*. Delegations wishing to propose candidates for election are kindly reminded to address their correspondence to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch, with a copy to Ms. Radhika Ochalik (e-mail ochalik@un.org) and Ms. Celia Syyap (e-mail syyap@un.org).

The Chairs of the regional groups for the current month are kindly invited to inform the Secretariat of candidatures which may be forthcoming from their groups. A list of candidates for the election, as well as supporting documentation, can be consulted on Candiweb by *clicking here*.

Commission on the Status of Women

Fifty-seventh session

Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the agreed conclusions on the priority theme of the Commission, convened by the Vice-Chair, Ms. Ana Marie L. Hernando (Philippines), will be held on Thursday, 14 March 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, to be held following the introduction of draft proposals and discussion; and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

Election of the Bureau of the fifty-eighth and fifty-ninth sessions

The Commission will hold the first meeting of its fifty-eighth session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau of the fifty-eighth (2014) and fifty-ninth sessions (2015), immediately following the closure of its fifty-seventh session.

Commission on Population and Development

Briefing

The Chair of the Commission on Population and Development, His Excellency Vladimir Lupan (Moldova), will hold an informal briefing on the programme of work of the forty-sixth session of the Commission on Tuesday, 26 March 2013, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). All interested members of delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

Forty-sixth session

The forty-sixth session of the Commission on Population and Development will be held from Monday, 22, to Friday, 26 April 2013. The first meeting will be convened on Monday, 22 April, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

The provisional agenda of the session and the proposed organization of work are contained in documents E/CN.9/2013/1 and E/CN.9/2013/L.1, respectively.

The session will be PaperSmart. The official documentation of the Commission will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all official languages.

There will be no circulation of hard copies of documents. However, a print-on-demand service will be available, via which delegates can request for a hard copy at the PaperSmart Desk in the conference room, or by the print-on-demand option on the PaperSmart Portal. Delegates will be able to e-mail any document or statement to themselves from the Portal. No log-in will be required to access the Portal.

QR Code posters with the PaperSmart Portal link will be put up in the conference room to enable easy access to the Portal via QR Code scanners on devices.

Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

List of participants

Members of the Commission and observers wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Commission and other observers are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Only those observers who indicate their participation *by Wednesday, 17 April 2013*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 4 (NLB), on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

List of speakers

In accordance with the programme of work, the general discussion under agenda item 4 (General debate on national experience in population matters: New trends in migration — demographic aspects), will be held from Monday, 22, to Wednesday, 24 April 2013. The list of speakers for item 4 and other agenda items will be opened in the week beginning Monday, 25 March.

Once delegations and participants have inscribed on the list of speakers, they are requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to PaperSmart@un.org, as soon as available, and at least two hours in advance of their designated speaking slot. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the Portal.

Election of the Bureau of the forty-seventh session

The Commission will hold the first meeting of its forty-seventh session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its forty-sixth session.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (monthly meeting) (at the ambassadorial level)

Tuesday, 19 March 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Special events on the occasion of the International Day of Remembrance of Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade (25 March) on the theme "Forever free: Celebrating emancipation" (General Assembly resolution 62/122 (A/RES/62/122)) (co-organized by the Caribbean Community and the African Group, in collaboration with the Department of Public Information (DPI))

[For the complete list of events on the occasion of the International Day, please *click here*.]

Exhibit of signed copies of the Emancipation Proclamation and the Thirteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution

Monday, 18, to Monday, 25 March 2013, from 09:00 to 17:30, in the Visitors' Lobby.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Timothy La Rose, DPI (e-mail larose@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0984).]

DPI/NGO briefing on "Forever free: Celebrating emancipation"

Monday, 18 March 2013, from 10:15 to 12:15, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Gail Bindley-Taylor, DPI (e-mail sainte@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).]

Global student videoconference on "Forever free: Celebrating emancipation"

Tuesday, 19 March 2013, from 09:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. William Yotive, DPI (e-mail yotive@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1400).]

Culture and exhibit reception

Thursday, 21 March 2013, from 18:00 to 21:00, in the Visitors' Lobby.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Timothy La Rose, DPI (e-mail larose@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0984).]

Concert

Friday, 22 March 2013, from 19:00 to 21:00, in the General Assembly Hall.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Timothy La Rose, DPI (e-mail larose@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0984).]

Briefing on "Arms transfers, transparency and the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT)" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Germany and Sweden, the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) and the Office for Disarmament Affairs (ODA))

Monday, 18 March 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room B (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Volker Lehmann, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung New York Office (e-mail vlehmann@fesny.org); or Mr. Hideki Matsuno, ODA (e-mail matsuno@un.org); or *click here*.]

Special event on the occasion of the International Day of Nowruz (21 March) (General Assembly resolution 64/253 (A/RES/64/253))

Official commemorative ceremony of the International Day of Nowruz

Monday, 18 March 2013, at 18:00, in the General Assembly Hall.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Mohammad Ali Mottaghi Nejad, Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran (e-mail smottaghi@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 867-2020, ext. 254).]

Briefing on "UNCTAD's *Least Development Countries Report 2012*" (organized by the New York Office of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD))

Tuesday, 19 March 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Marisa Henderson, UNCTAD (e-mail henderson@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4319).]

Special event on the occasion of the International Day of Happiness (20 March) (General Assembly resolution 66/281 (A/RES/66/281) (co-organized by the United Nations Academic Impact, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information, and the Permanent Mission of Bhutan)

Conversation on "Happiness and well-being: Essential for a sustainable future"

Wednesday, 20 March 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Hasan Ferdous, UNAI (e-mail ferdous@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-6555).]

Presentation of a report entitled "The global conversation begins" (on the preliminary results of the consultations of the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) on the post-2015 development agenda) (co-organized by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF))

Thursday, 21 March 2013, from 11:00 to 13:00, at the Henry Labouisse Hall, UNICEF House.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Gabriel Normand, UNDP (e-mail gabriel.normand@undp.org; tel. 1 (646) 781-4039).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Forum on Forests
Tenth session
Istanbul, Turkey

The United Nations Forum on Forests will hold its tenth session from Monday, 8, to Friday, 19 April 2013, at the Lüfti Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Center (LKCC), in Istanbul, Turkey. The session will open on Monday, 8 April, at 10:00. The annotated provisional agenda is contained in document E/CN.18/2013/1/Rev.1.

Ministerial segment

The session will include a ministerial segment, which will be held on Monday, 8 April, from 15:00 to 19:00, and on Tuesday, 9 April 2013, from 12:00 to 13:00 and from 14:00 to 17:30. A list of speakers will be established for statements by Ministers and Heads of Delegations. Delegations are requested to inscribe, *as soon as possible*, the names of their Ministers or Heads of Delegations who wish to make a statement during the high-level ministerial segment, by sending an e-mail or fax to the Secretary of the Forum, Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; with a copy to bailey2@un.org; fax 1 (917) 367-3186). The time limits for statements are *five minutes* for individual Member States and *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States.

Ministerial round tables

There will be two parallel round tables on Tuesday, 9 April 2013, from 9:00 to 10:30, each discussing a specific topic, as follows:

Round table 1: Forests and economic development; and

Round table 2: International arrangements on forests, the Rio+20 outcome and the post-2015 United Nations development agenda.

Immediately following the conclusion of the round tables, the Forum will convene in plenary, from 10:30 to 12:00, for a high-level interactive dialogue with the Heads of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests member organizations.

The round tables are open to the participation of all Member States and observers. Delegations are kindly requested to indicate, *as soon as possible*, their preference for the participation of their Ministers or Heads of Delegations in one of the above-mentioned round tables, by e-mail or fax to the Secretary of the Forum (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; with a copy to bailey2@un.org; fax 1 (917) 367-3186). Priority for interventions will be given to participants who have been inscribed before the deadline. The time limit for interventions is *three minutes*.

Documentation

For documentation and further information on the forthcoming session, please visit the following website: www.un.org/esa/forests/.

List of participants

Delegations who have not yet communicated the composition of their delegations to the secretariat of the Forum, are requested to do so, *as soon as possible*, to the Secretary of the Forum for inclusion in the list of participants (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; room S-1282), with a copy to the Protocol and Liaison Service for accreditation purposes (fax 1 (212) 963-1921).

Registration

For information on registration of participants, please visit the following website: www.un.org/esa/forests/session-access.

Major groups

Major groups organizations that are accredited with the Economic and Social Council and the Commission on Sustainable Development are encouraged to attend the session. Information on participation is available at www.un.org/esa/forests/participation. Online registration is available at http://esango.un.org/irene/. Attention is drawn to the fact that the deadline for registration is *Monday, 25 March 2013*.

Side events

For information on side events, please *click here*.

Travel and accommodation arrangements

Delegations wishing to attend the session are requested to contact directly, as soon as possible, the nearest Turkish consulate or embassy for information on visa and customs regulations. Delegations are also requested to make arrangements for accommodations through the host country's hotel bookings website at http://dekon.com.tr/unff10/en/.

Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
Second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

The second session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons will be held from Monday, 22 April, to Friday, 3 May 2013, in the Assembly Hall, at the United Nations Office at Geneva.

The list of speakers for the general debate will be open on Tuesday, 2 April, at 10:00. States parties wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the secretariat of the Preparatory Committee from that date (Mr. Hong Tan, Office for Disarmament Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-7062; room S-3135; fax 1 (917) 367-1767)).

States parties are kindly requested to provide information, *in writing*, as soon as possible, *but no later than Tuesday, 2 April*, indicating the composition of their delegations to the session. The information should be sent to the Secretary of the Preparatory Committee, Mr. Valère Mantels, Office for Disarmament Affairs (Room S-3132, United Nations, New York, N.Y. 10017). To facilitate the preparation and early distribution of the list of participants, it is also kindly requested that the composition of the delegations be made available in electronic format (Microsoft Word or compatible format) by e-mail to Ms. Bertha Ortiz (ortiz1@un.org), as soon as possible, *but no later than Tuesday, 2 April*.

Participants are requested to complete and send the registration form online (*click here*) or, alternatively, to complete the registration form annexed to the Information Note (annex I), which may be photocopied, and return it, as soon as possible, *but no later than Tuesday, 2 April 2013*, to Ms. Junko Hirakawa, preferably by e-mail (hirakawa@un.org).

Further information for participants, including the submission of pre-session documentation, is contained in the Information Note, and is also available on the website of the second session of the Preparatory Committee (*click here*).

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in room DC2-1142 (unless otherwise indicated), in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*); or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Searching the Official Document System (ODS) (from 10:00 to 12:30)

Today, 13 March 2013.

Overview of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library resources and databases (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 14 March 2013.

Introduction to United Nations documents

Wednesday, 20 March 2013 *(in French)* (from 14:00 to 16:00); and

Thursday, 28 March 2013 *(in Spanish)* (from 10:00 to 12:00).

United Nations Bibliographic Information System (UNBISnet) (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Tuesday, 26 March 2013.

Introduction to e-Books (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Wednesday, 27 March 2013.

Summary of language informational meetings

A consolidated summary of language informational meetings held with Member States from 16 to 18 October 2012 is available in all official languages on the website of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM). Please *click* on the desired language to view the summary: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish. DGACM welcomes questions or comments pertaining to this summary, which can be addressed to dgacm-feedback@un.org.

United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Africa: Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions

The Regional Courses in International Law provide high-quality training by leading scholars and practitioners on a broad range of core subjects of international law, as well as specific subjects of particular interest to developing countries in a given region. The Regional Courses provide an important mechanism for expanding the international law training opportunities available to young lawyers from developing countries under the Programme of Assistance given the limited number of participants which can be accommodated in the International Law Fellowship Programme. The Regional Courses also provide an opportunity for the participants to focus on contemporary issues of international law of common concern in the region with a view to promoting greater understanding and cooperation on such issues.

As the Regional Courses are dependent on voluntary contributions, the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs is urgently seeking contributions from Member States in order to ensure sufficient funding for the Regional Course for Africa, which will take place from Monday, 1 to Friday, 26 April 2013 in Ethiopia. For additional information or inquiries, please contact Ms. Virginia Morris, Principal Legal Officer, Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail morrisv@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6971).

2013 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, Bangkok, Thailand

Applications for the 2013 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 November 2013, are now being accepted from candidates from Member States of the United Nations which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States (and from Kiribati). The deadline for applications is *Tuesday, 30 April 2013*.

The Regional Course will be conducted in English. For further information, including applications forms, please consult the Regional Course website at the following address: www.un.org/law/rcil/asia; or contact the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2013:

Second Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (28 May 2013), to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances (*click here* for general information);

Sixth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (30 May 2013), to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (*click here* for general information); and

Twenty-fifth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination will meet (3 June 2013), to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before the meeting*.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn: Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; room S-1308)). For any clarifications on these elections, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292).

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 12 March 2013

Economic and Social Council

Commission on the Status of Women
Fifty-seventh session

11th meeting

Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" [item 3]

(a) Implementation of strategic objectives and action in critical areas of concern and further actions and initiatives

(ii) Review theme: Evaluation of progress in the implementation of the agreed conclusions of the fifty-third session of the Commission on the Status of Women on "The equal sharing of responsibilities between women and men, including care-giving in the context of HIV/AIDS"

Panel discussion

The Commission held a panel discussion on the "Review theme: The equal sharing of responsibilities between women and men, including caregiving in the context of HIV/AIDS" moderated by the Vice-Chair (Belarus).

Focus: Gender norms and stereotypes, socialization and unequal power relations

Presentations were made by Ms. Fatou Sow Sarr, Lecturer, University Cheikh Anta Diop, Senegal; and Mr. Warren Feek, Executive Director, The Communication Initiative.

The Commission then engaged in an interactive dialogue with the panellists, in which the representatives of the Philippines, Germany, China, Indonesia, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Rwanda participated.

The observers for Senegal, Switzerland, Paraguay, Cameroon, Denmark (on behalf of the Nordic countries), Nigeria, South Africa, Australia, Tuvalu, Kazakhstan, Morocco, Kenya, Ghana, Turkey and Bahrain also participated.

The observer for the European Union also intervened.

Mr. Luis Mora, Chief of Gender, Human Rights and Culture Branch, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), summarized the key points of the discussion.

Focus: Sharing and balancing life-work responsibilities

Presentations were made by Mr. Niclas Järvklo, Secretary, Inquiry on Men and Gender Equality, Ministry of Education and Research, Sweden; and Ms. Lucia Zachariášová, Head, Gender Equality Unit, Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Czech Republic.

The Commission then engaged in an interactive dialogue with the panellists, in which, the representatives of the Republic of Korea, Italy, Colombia, the Philippines and Germany participated.

The observers for Uganda, Burkina Faso, Australia, Mexico, Kenya, Ecuador and Nigeria also participated.

The representatives of the following non-governmental organizations also participated in the dialogue: European Women's Lobby, and International Trade Union Conference.

Ms. Renata Kaczmarska, Focal Point for the Family, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), summarized the key points of the discussion.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-Chair (Belarus).

12th meeting

Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" [item 3]

(a) Implementation of strategic objectives and action in critical areas of concern and further actions and initiatives

(ii) Review theme: Evaluation of progress in the implementation of the agreed conclusions of the fifty-third session of the Commission on the Status of Women on "The equal sharing of responsibilities between women and men, including care-giving in the context of HIV/AIDS"

Panel discussion

The Commission held a panel discussion on the "Review theme: The equal sharing of responsibilities between women and men, including caregiving in the context of HIV/AIDS" moderated by the Vice-Chair (Italy).

Focus: Caregiving in the context of HIV/AIDS

Presentations were made by Ms. Violet Shivutse, Founder and Director, Shibuye Community Health Workers, and Focal Point Leader, GROOTS Kenya; and Ms. Baby Rivona, National Coordinator, Ikatan Perempuan Positif Indonesia (IPPI).

The Commission then engaged in an interactive dialogue with the panellists, in which the representatives of Finland (also on behalf of Nordic countries), the Democratic Republic of the Congo, China, Brazil, the Philippines, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Rwanda participated.

The observers for Poland, Senegal, Burkina Faso, the Sudan, Morocco, Uganda, South Africa and Ecuador also participated.

The observer for the European Union also intervened.

The representative of the International AIDS Society, a non-governmental organization, also participated in the dialogue.

Ms. Jantine Jacobi, Chief, Gender Division, United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), summarized the key points of the discussion.

Focus: Recognizing and valuing unpaid care work

Presentations were made by Mr. Francisco Guillén Martín, Deputy Director of National Accounts, National Institute of Statistics and Geography (INEGI), Mexico; and Ms. Souad Triki, Economist, Gender and Development Expert and retired Senior Lecturer, University of Tunisia.

The Commission then engaged in an interactive dialogue with the panellists, in which the representatives of Italy, Colombia and the Philippines participated.

The observers for Switzerland and Kenya also participated.

The representative of the Institute of International Social Development, a non-governmental organization, also participated in the dialogue.

Ms. Paz López, Technical Adviser, UN-Women Mexico, summarized the key points of the discussion.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-Chair (Italy).

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *March 2013* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Chad
His Excellency Ahmad Allam-mi

Asia-Pacific States:
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His Excellency Sheikh Meshal Hamad M.J. Al-Thani

Eastern European States:
Republic of Moldova
His Excellency Vladimir Lupan

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Saint Lucia
Her Excellency Menissa Rambally

Western European and other States:
Finland
His Excellency Jarmo Viinanen

Security Council

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